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I.—Separate reports of sick and wounded rebel prisoners of war, treated in U. S. General or Post Hospitals, will be made monthly to this office.

II.—Whenever white and colored troops are treated in the same hospital (either General or Post) separate reports of sick and wounded will be made, in order that the sickness and mortality rates of each race can be correctly ascertained.

III.—Monthly Sick Reports from regiments or detachments of colored troops will present on the first page of the report the number of sick of enlisted men only; the names, rank, and diseases of sick officers of these regiments will be placed under the head of Remarks.

JOS. K. BARNES,

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